and other allied activities, has been able to register a ten-fold increase in production of fabrics from a level of 500 million sq. metres in the early 50s to 7586 million Sq. metres in 2001-2002. This sector contributes to nearly 19% of the total cloth produced in the country. Exports of cotton handloom fabrics and made-ups which were of the value of Rs.1840 crore during the year 1997-98, increased to Rs.2065 crore during the year 2001-02. During the period April-July, 2002, exports were of Rs.851.93 crore as against Rs.667.53 crore during April-July, 2001.

So far as powerloom sector is concerned, it plays an important role in the economy of the country providing employment to about 417.9 lakh weavers. The number of powerlooms has grown to an estimated figure of 16.71 lakh as on 30.08.2002. This sector contributes to about 59% of the total cloth production in the country.

States engaged in Sericulture Cultivation and Silk Industry

2198. SHRI V.V. RAGHAVAN: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) the States engaged in Sericulture cultivation and silk industry;

(b) the quantities produced in each State during 1998-1999, 1999-2000, 2000-2001 and 2001-2002;

(c) the average price of 1 Kg. of silk during the years 1998-99, 1999-2000, 2000-2001 and 2001-2002;

(d) the steps being taken to ensure a remunerative price for the silk; and

(e) the steps taken to prevent dumping of silk in India?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI BASANGOUDA R. PATIL): (a) and (b) 5 traditional States *viz.* Andhra Pradesh, Jammu & Kashmir, Karnataka, Tamil Nadu and West Bengal and 22 Non-traditional States *viz.,* Assam, Arunachal Pradesh, Bihar, Chhattisgarh, Gujarat, Himachal Pradesh, Haryana, Jharkhand, Kerala, Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra, Manipur, Mizoram, Meghalaya, Nagaland, Orissa, Punjab, Rajasthan, Sikkim, Tripura, Uttaranchal and Uttar Pradesh are engaged in sericulture and silk industry. The State-wise production of raw silk (Mulberry & Non-mulberry) during the years 1998-99 to 2001-02 is given in the Statement (*See* below).

(c) The Average price of raw silk per kg. transacted at Bangalore Silk Exchange in Karnataka during the years 1998-99 to 2001-02 is as under:—

Year	Filature/Cottage Basin	Charka	Dupion
1998-1999	1352	1172	654
1999-2000	1204	1046	733
2000-2001	1338	1176	820
2001-2002	1267	1129	742

(d) CSB operates Raw Material Banks and provides Margin Money Loan to the State Marketing Agencies to ensure fair price to primary farmers. Besides, in the major markets, State Government Agencies such as the Karnataka Silk Marketing Board play a stabilizing role by their presence in the Market. In the current year some State Governments have formulated a short duration Scheme for providing incentive of Rs.10/- per kg. of cocoons to farmers on cost sharing basis by the Centre and the respective State in the ratio of 50:50, in order to provide relief to farmers from falling prices and encourage them to continue in sericulture.

(e) The Directorate General of Anti Dumping and Allied Duties (DGAD) has initiated Anti-Dumping investigation.

Statement

State-wise production of Mulberry and Non-mulberry silk during the years 1998 to 2002.

(Qty. in tons)

Sl. No.	State	1998-99		1999-2000		2000-01		2001-02 (Provisional)	
		Mulberry	Non-Mulberry	Mulberry	Non-Mulberry	Mulberry	Non-Mulberry	Mulberry	Non-Mulberry
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
1.	Andhra Pradesh	3335	1.00	3757	1.00	4183	2.00	4775	3.00
2.	Jammu & Kashmir	86	–	85	–	98	–	80	–
3.	Karnataka	8944	–	8121	–	8200	–	8728	–
4.	Tamil Nadu	616	–	672	–	711	–	655	–
5.	West Bengal	1118	22.13	1152	23.13	1050	21.20	1407	26.5
6.	Assam	16	563.00	19.2	549.00	17	527.00	12	542

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
7	Arunachal Pradesh	2	12.17	0.27	5.00	1	10.13	Neg	3.5
8	Bihar	7	142.00	4.5	115.00	3	27.00	4	27.00
9.	Chhattisgarh		—	—	—	2	73.00	2	77.00
10.	Gujarat	Neg		Neg	—	—	96.00	–	92.00
11.	Himachal Pradesh	14		10.9		13		10	—
12.	Haryana	Neg		—	—	—	—	—	—
13.	Jharkhand	—		—	—	1	—	2	—
14.	Kerala	2		2.48		4	—	3	—
15.	Madhya Pradesh	7	68.00	7.1	79.00	3	2.00	6	6.00
16	Maharashtra	19	0.19	26.2	0.99	35	3.00	54	3.00
17	Manipur	49	178.68	57	180.08	57	363.11	59	366.05
18.	Mizoram	1	Neg	2		4	4.00	4	3
19	Meghalaya	1	235.76	1	267.40	3	245.00	2	287
20	Nagaland	0.32	24.74	0.25	28.27	Neg	29.07	Neg	36
21	Orissa	5	33.77	5	18.42	5	20.00	5	33
22.	Punjab	2.6		0.18		Neg		3	—
23	Rajasthan	0.38		0.3		Neg		Neg	—
24.	Sikkim	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
25.	Tripura	3.7		4		4		4	
26	Uttaranchal	—	—	—	—	15	—	10	—
27	Uttar Pradesh	31	2.74	17	2	23	2	17	3
	Total	14260	1284.18	13944.38	1269.29	14432	1424.51	15842	1508.05

(—) NIL Neg: Negligible

*Non-mulberry silk includes production of Tasar, Muga and Eri raw silk.

Auction of buildings and machinery of units of NTC Mills at Adoni

2199. SHRI RAMA MUNI REDDY SIRIGIREDDY:Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) Whether the State Government of Andhra Pradesh has requested for calling fresh tenders for the auction of buildings and machinery of the units of the NTC mills at Adoni;

(b) if so, when such a request was received in the Ministry; and

(c) the action taken on the request?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI BASANGOUDA R. PATIL): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. A request had been received from Government of Andhra Pradesh on 31st August, 2002 for auction of both buildings and machinery of unit of NTC mills at Adoni, so that mill can be revived under Private Sector.